

EMPLOYEES ARE OFFERED SNUB BY COMMITTEE

Senate Action on Borland Amendment Resented by Union Officials.

Indignant at the quick action of the Senate Committee on Agriculture in agreeing to the Borland Amendment on the Agricultural Appropriation Bill, leaders of the National Federation of Federal Employees urged anew their determined efforts to fight the amendment's final passage.

Partial promise had been given the members of the federation that they would be granted hearings before the bill was sent to the Senate. Immediately after learning of the action by the Senate Committee, H. M. McLarin, president of the National Federation of Federal Employees drafted the following letter and sent it to each member of Congress:

Addresses Letters.
The Borland Amendment. To each Senator and Representative: "We have just learned with indignation that the Senate Committee on Agriculture has agreed to the Borland Amendment on the Agricultural Appropriation Bill, providing that employees in the Department of Agriculture shall work eight hours a day as a minimum instead of seven hours a day. We had applied to the committee for a hearing on the subject but the committee refused to grant same. There has been no hearing in either the House or the Senate on the amendment, and the House has heretofore refused to agree to the proposal, but did so on Friday, February 1, 1918, while very few members were present.

"We appeal to each of you to oppose this legislation and especially the method of its enactment. In a matter so important as this, the employees affected are certainly entitled to be heard before they are required to work an hour more each day without additional compensation.

"The proponents of this measure claim that as a patriotic duty we should be willing to work longer hours. We are and have done so and are still doing so. The legislation is entirely unnecessary as the heads of departments and bureaus now have authority to extend the hours if the work requires. This legislation can be taken in no other way than as a criticism of the administration. We submit that such criticism is unwarranted because wherever necessary the hours have been extended. This is a 14.3 increase in the hours of work and no additional compensation is provided.

It is probable that plans for the proposed mass meeting in protest of the Borland Amendment will be perpetrated by yesterday afternoon's developments.

U. S. PROVIDES AMPLE LIFE BOAT SERVICE

Men on Transports Assured of Protection at Sea.

Not only is there adequate lifeboat space on every man-of-war who goes aboard a transport of either the American or allied fleets, but orders have recently been issued that enough life rafts must be carried to take care of the full complement of the ship in the event of the ship listing upon being torpedoed so that none of the boats on one side could be lowered. This statement was made by Secretary Baker yesterday in commenting upon the disaster of the Tuscania. He further stated that "abandon ship drill" was the first duty required of officers in command of detachments on board ship. The War Department has as yet received no report from the senior officer in charge of the troops aboard the Tuscania. He will make his report, Secretary Baker said, to the officer in command of American troops in Great Britain. In view of the regulations and provisions for the safety of the men, Mr. Baker is inclined to believe that the stories of the order and courage of the boys on the Tuscania are correct.

Daylight Saving Bill Favored.
A unanimous favorable report was given yesterday by the House interstate commerce committee to the daylight saving bill.

The House will be asked to pass it Wednesday. It proposes setting the clock ahead an hour from May to October, inclusive. The Senate has passed a slightly different bill.

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MISS JOHNSON BRIDE OF ARMY OFFICER

Capt. Robert O. Annin Groom at Military Wedding.

Miss Edith Margaret Johnson, daughter of Col. Arthur Johnson U. S. A. and Mrs. Johnson, and Capt. Robert Ogden Annin, U. S. Cavalry, a Washington boy now stationed at Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C., were married yesterday afternoon at 4:30 at the post chapel at Fort Myer, Rev. Dr. Lewis J. O'Brien officiating, assisted by Rev. Father Lackey, of Rosslyn.

The bride wore white Georgette crepe and champagne and a picture hat of white Georgette with daisy flowers. She carried a shower bouquet of white and pink sweet peas, and at her throat wore the groom's gift, a bar pin of diamonds in platinum.

The bride's mother wore black satin and Georgette crepe with orchids.

The groom's mother, Mrs. Annin, wore champagne crepe de chine, with roses.

The bride's only attendant was her brother, Midshipman Franklin O. Johnson, U. S. Naval Academy. The groom's man was Capt. Clinton A. Pierce and the ushers were Capt. E. M. Price, V. Kerney, C. F. Houghton and Lieut. G. R. Chamberlain.

As the bride and groom left the altar beneath the arched swords of the ushers, the wedding party proceeded to the home of Capt. Franklin O. Johnson, U. S. Cavalry, near by where a reception was held and the bride fulfilled the army tradition and cut the wedding cake with her husband's sword.

Capt. and Mrs. Annin, after a short wedding trip, will go to Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C.

The bride's father and two brothers are already with the American army in France.

SPAIN MAY ABANDON POLICY AS NEUTRAL

Acts of Hun Submarines Expected to Influence Elections.

The sinking of the Spanish steamer Sebastian by a German torpedo before Berlin has replied to the note of Spain protesting the sinking of the Grada a week ago may have an important effect on the general elections in Spain on February 21.

This is the unofficial view here last night following the receipt of a report from Madrid telling of the sinking. Neither the State Department nor the Spanish Embassy would comment on the report officially. All of the crew of the Sebastian, a 4,500-ton steamer bound for New York, are reported saved.

The opinion of State Department officials is that Spain hitherto has on the whole carefully followed the principles of neutrality, despite various protests which have come from time to time against the use to which submarine commanders have put Spanish harbors. The action of Germany in extending her ruthless warfare to Spanish ships is taken to indicate that any change in the result of the coming elections will be distinctly in favor of the allies.

It was stated here that no definite break with Germany by Spain might be expected until after the elections are held.

Gale Paralyzes Street Car Service in Syracuse

Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 9.—A terrific gale which swept the city today caused thousands of dollars worth of damage and practically demoralized all transportation facilities. The electric light and power plant is out of commission tonight while ice coated rails have checked all traffic on the steam roads.

The city is practically isolated and wire communication is suspended.

Bear Skips Keeps Kids At Home in Yonkers, N. Y.

New York, Feb. 9.—A report of a big bear rambling about the outskirts of Yonkers scared hundreds of mothers today and many children were kept indoors.

The beast was first reported by children and some confirmation was given the story when a policeman said he saw a large black object in the distance while at his patrol box in a lonely section.

A number of hunters have put bounds on the scent, but up to a late hour tonight the bear has not been brought in.

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E. W. LIBBEY.

E. W. LIBBEY NAMED TO CHIEF CLERKSHIP

Secretary Redfield Rewards Loyal Member of Staff.

E. W. Libbey, employee in the Department of Commerce since its creation in 1903, has been appointed chief clerk by Secretary Redfield, to succeed Dr. George C. Haverhewer, who has resigned to enter commercial work in New York. The appointment is effective on March 6.

Mr. Libbey's appointment comes as a reward for patient and faithful application and attention to his work. Mr. Libbey came to Washington when a small child. He was born in New Hampshire. He received a common-school training in the public schools of this city. His first work was as a messenger boy for the Western Union Telegraph Company.

While delivering telegrams the boy studied telegraphy. He became an expert operator and was stationed for some time at the Capitol, where he made countless friends among Congressmen, reporters and the public generally.

When the Department of Commerce and Labor was created in 1903, Mr. Libbey was appointed as a telegraph operator for the department. Again he utilized his spare time, learned stenography and was given a stenographic position in the office of the chief clerk. Later he was made file clerk.

Mr. Libbey has climbed steadily and on March 26 last was made assistant chief clerk. Upon the retirement of Dr. Haverhewer, Secretary Redfield appointed Mr. Libbey without his seeking the position. He is 42 years old.

The appointment has been received with much gratification by employees in every branch of the department.

MANY ENLISTED MEN NEGLECT INSURANCE

Red Cross Starts Flank Movement to Interest Families.

Government officials express surprise and disappointment that in a number of camps a considerable proportion of the men have not applied for war risk insurance. After Tuesday, it will be impossible for men in the service prior to October 15, 1917, to obtain insurance.

War Risk Bureau officials argue that this is the cheapest insurance ever offered. The government pays all overhead and war risk and sells the insurance on a yearly term renewable basis. It is not only a protection to the survivors of the man in case of death, but in case of permanent total disability it is a means of support to the man himself. For instance, if he takes out \$10,000 worth of insurance and is entirely disabled he will receive \$57.50 a month for twenty years.

In view of these facts, government officials say that there ought to be 100 per cent applications for insurance.

The Red Cross has gotten behind the Soldiers and Sailors Campaign Council in its final insurance drive with a sort of flanking movement. The Home Service Section of the Red Cross, which are charged with service to families of enlisted men, are directing their attack toward the families. These committees are getting in touch with each family and urging it to bring pressure on the man to insure before the 12.

The Red Cross is furnishing to the family Form 2A, which is the application blank for insurance. The relatives fill these forms, all except the signature, and send them to the enlisted man to sign.

ALEXANDRIA LIMITS SALES OF TOBACCO

Pool Rooms and Bowling Alleys Under Monday-Tuesday Ban.

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Alexandria, Va., Feb. 9.—The sale of cigars, cigarettes, tobacco and candy in poolrooms and bowling alleys on either Monday or Tuesday is barred under a ruling of Fuel Commissioner Byrd, of Virginia, just received by George E. Warfield, local fuel administrator. The poolrooms and bowling alleys are closed on Tuesday instead of Mondays and heretofore they had been able to sell both cigars and tobacco, but under the new ruling they cannot sell these articles on Monday, and on Tuesday they are compelled to close in compliance with the orders of Fuel Administrator Garfield.

Well Brothers have leased from Robert W. Ballenger the three-story brick store and dwelling house at 513 and 521 King street. This firm will remodel the building and occupy it as a meat market. The store building at 607 King street now occupied by Well Brothers will be taken over by the Surprise Theater, Ralph A. Steele, manager, and made an addition to the Surprise Theater, directly east of it. This will give the Surprise an increased seating capacity of 300 or more.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce today expressed themselves as highly pleased with the mass meeting held last night and are of the opinion that it ultimately will result in a bigger and better Chamber of Commerce than ever existed before in this city.

Miss Mary A. Broadus, 79 years old, died yesterday afternoon in Alexandria Hospital. She was a native of Fairfax County and a daughter of the late John H. Broadus. She made her home with her sister, Mrs. R. Graham, 94 Prince street, this city, to which place the body was taken and prepared for burial.

In the Corporation Court, today, in the case of C. Keith Carlin against B. W. Pullin and others, a decree was entered referring cause to F. P. Russell for report.

In observance of the eighth anniversary of the national organization of the Boy Scouts, members of Troop No. 1 tonight held an entertainment in McBurney's Hall. Scoutmaster Harry W. Ruid inspected the troop, assisted by G. L. Rooth, D. J. Howell and D. R. Stansbury.

Now the medicines are to be cheaper, the economically inclined, hitherto scared by the high cost of getting sick, can again indulge in the luxury of enjoying poor health.—Baltimore American.

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49 NOW HELD IN SPY QUEST ON BIG LINER

Officials Silent on Reported Find of Code Exposing Hun System.

An Atlantic Port, Feb. 9.—When the final count was tallied of the detained passengers aboard the Nieuw Amsterdam, Holland America liner under guard here, the number was increased from forty reported yesterday to forty-nine tonight. Of the number nine are first-class passengers and the remainder are second-class. All other persons were permitted to come ashore today.

Officials would not confirm the report that a man detained had confessed to being a German spy and that he was carrying mysterious messages to co-workers in this country.

The cross-questioning of the prisoners began today. Each person called upon to explain all the suspicious looking letters or papers confiscated by the secret service men among the personal effects of the passengers. All were questioned as to why they were coming to the United States.

One woman, who had vast quantities of fine tissue paper in her possession, proved baffling to the authorities. All questions were answered by tears. The tissue paper had been seized and after careful examination for some hidden message or traces of invisible ink has been turned over to chemists for analysis.

One man is alleged to have had in his possession a peculiar looking code which the authorities have not been able to decipher. It is believed this may be the keynote to a gigantic conspiracy.

There have been no arrests, although the passengers detained are under guard. The ship has been in charge of the naval authorities since Friday night. Officials said that in the future all ships arriving at American ports from neutral countries will undergo such an inspection. Recent developments have made this precaution necessary, it was stated.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S MOTHER DIES AT 80

Death Follows Attack of Grippe and Pneumonia.

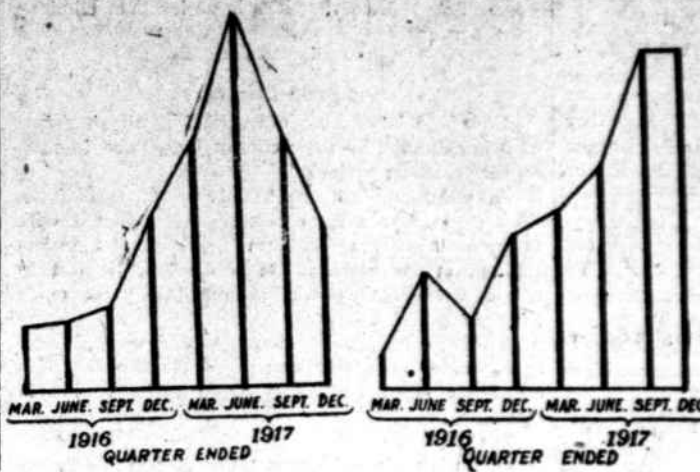
Mrs. M. C. Gregory, mother of Attorney General T. W. Gregory, died yesterday at her residence after an illness of several days.

Mrs. Gregory had recently undergone a severe attack of grippe and bronchial pneumonia and it was thought that she had recovered. She suffered a relapse, however.

Mrs. Gregory was 80 years old and was the widow of F. B. Gregory, who died 35 years ago.

The body will be taken Monday to Columbus, Miss., for interment. Attorney General and Mrs. Gregory will accompany the remains.

TWO INTERESTING DIAGRAMS, showing the losses of merchant tonnage by submarines and the losses of German submarines, which arrived in the English mail today.



It is pointed out, with regard to the first diagram, that the height of the enemy submarine attack upon merchantmen was in April, 1917, which accounts for the quarter ended June, showing the "peak." Since then the curve has steadily fallen.

The second diagram shows that since the quarter ended September, 1916, there has been a steady rise in the number of submarines sunk, and although for the last quarter of 1917 the number sunk has not further risen, it must be remembered that there are still the results of half a month to add, and we have already equalled the results of the quarter ended September, 1917.

Attention is particularly drawn to the following: (1) These diagrams are statistically accurate, based on facts up to December 17, and include no estimated or uncertain figures; (2) They are diagrammatically accurate and strictly to scale, but, obviously, the scale is not the same in both, one being for tonnage of merchant vessels and the other the number of submarines.

DEBATE ON FINERY ABSORBS MILITANTS

Prospective Removal Into Former Home Club Quarters Responsible.

"Shall we have inside curtains of flax or embroidered net?"

"Honey Burns wants blue hangings that will contrast nicely with her hair. And Miss Paul insists upon yellow ones. What shall we do about it?"

Strange conversation to hear within the militant precincts of the Woman's party headquarters, isn't it?

But the militants are getting ready to move into the Home Club, 14 Jackson Place, and are having the place done over from top to bottom. Business and publicity offices will occupy the ground floor. The big ballroom on the second floor is being redecorated as a living room, furnished with many comfortable chairs and couches. On occasion it will be used for dances and entertainments. A tea room also will be on the second floor.

The third and fourth floors will be utilized as living quarters for workers of the militant party.

The militants will again be not more than a stone's throw from the White House, being directly across Jackson Square from Cameron House, their former quarters, which they were forced to give up when the Cosmos Club took over the property several months ago. The militants have occupied temporary quarters on Connecticut avenue.

It is expected that the "moving" will take place next Tuesday and Wednesday.

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NAVY YARD NEEDS HOUSES FOR WORKERS

Force Cannot Be Increased Until Accommodations Are Available.

"Not until some more houses are built, either by the government or some one else, can there be any very material increase in the force of employees in the Navy Yard," said Capt. Willard, superintendent of the Washington Navy Yard, yesterday in answer to a question regarding the time when the Navy Yard force will be increased.

It is expected that the number of employees in the local navy yard will be increased from 9,000 to 14,000 men as soon as housing accommodations can be arranged for them. The government will, it is believed, step in and construct living quarters for its workers in the near future.

Quarters for about 500 seamen are soon to be constructed on the vacant ground at Ninth and N streets southeast, near the Navy Yard. More quarters for marines and a large administration building are also projected.

Steamer with 5,000 Tons Of Coal Goes on Reef

An Atlantic Port, Feb. 9.—A coal-carrying steamer with a cargo of 5,000 tons of soft coal consigned to this port is ashore on the western edge of a neighboring island. The vessel was driven ashore by her pilot after she had struck a reef during the thick weather early today. He found this the best way to save the crew and the cargo. A life saving crew has gone to the rescue and is standing by ready to take the crew off if necessary.

EXTENDS WAR STAMP DRIVE WEEK LONGER

Director Callahan Says D. C. Campaign Gives Promise of Success.

There will be no let-up in the drive for the sale of \$1,000,000 worth of war savings and thrift stamps which has been extended another week by Director D. J. Callahan.

"The only reason for an extension of the drive at this time," Mr. Callahan said last night, "is the fact that the weather was so extremely cold the first part of this week and the public schools were closed—thus leaving practically inactive one of our most desirable resources. Notwithstanding the fact that we were handicapped, the executive committee feels that the various chairmen have performed yeoman service in an effort to bring us over the top."

Theater Meetings.
Theater meetings under the direction of William W. Bridge, chairman of the speakers' committee, will be continued throughout the second week of the drive. Praise for the \$1,000 clubs was voiced by Mr. Callahan.

"The \$1,000 war savings clubs under the able leadership of Charles J. Bell, is accomplishing splendid results. The daily mails are bringing in to Mr. Bell many favorable responses. In addition to the \$1,000 club, Chairman Gilbert H. Groves, of district 9, editor of the National Geographic Magazine, is accomplishing splendid results in the perfection of the \$100 war savings club. Before this campaign progresses much further, we hope to enlist the membership of this club, every available citizen. It only means saving \$2.40 in a year. In other words a thrift stamp saved every day will make every man, woman and child eligible to membership," he said.

Government departments have been active during the week. Figures for sales in the Interior Department from January 15 to 31 follow:

Alaskan Railroad Commission, \$287.60; Bureau of Education, \$235.12; Indian Office, \$1,110.45; Land Office, \$597.32; Bureau of Mines, \$2,280.07; National Parks, \$225.51; Patent Office, \$4,598.10; Pension Office, \$4,081.22; Geological Survey, \$1,259.78; Secretary's Office, \$639.47; Reclamation Service, \$172.85; total sales, \$16,287.25.

During the week ending February 2, sales of the stamps in the Treasury Department amounted to \$8,180.33, bringing the total sales so far up to \$21,967.02.

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